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1. AS REPORTED REFTEL B, INITIAL MENTION OF US-SOVIET CONVENTIONAL ARMS TRANSFER TALKS (TO A.M. HYERA, DIRECTOR OF FORNMIN'S LEGAL AND INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS DIVISION) ELICITED RESPONSE THAT TANGOV REALLY NOT INTERESTED AS LONG AS SOUTHERN AFRICAN LIBERATION ISSUES STILL UNSOLVED AND US AND USSR CONTINUED TO INCREASE THEIR OWN ARMED STRENGTH.

2. HYERA IS ATTENDING THE LOS CONFERENCE IN NEW YORK. HE MAY STAY ON FOR THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY. IN VIEW OF THE PRELIMINARY NATURE OF THE CONVENTIONAL ARMS TRANSFER TALKS AND TANGOV ATTITUDES AS EXPLAINED BY HYERA, WE DO NOT SEE GREAT BENEFIT IN DESCRIBING THE RESULTS OF HELSINKI WITH HYERA'S SENIORS (E.G., THE MINISTER, JUNIOR MINISTER, AND PRINCIPAL SECRETARY) AND WE WOULD NOT HAVE A USEFUL EXCHANGE BELOW HYERA'S LEVEL. IF SUITABLE OPPORTUNITY ARISES TO BRIEF HYERA ON HELSINKI AT LATER DATE WE WILL DO SO.

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